Amendment in Urban land ceiling act

537. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision has been taken that a legilsation to amend the Urban Land Ceiling Act, 1976 will be introuduced in the Parliament;

(b) whether the proposed amendments to the Act are aimed at releasing surplus land in cities lying idle because of restrictions on their development;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is proposed to give free hand to land owners to commercially develop surplus land subject to surrendering a portion of it to State Government for construction of low cost housing for weaker section or for other purposes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) No, Sir. The Government has decided to repeal the Act Repealing Bill will be introuduced in the Parliament shortly.

(b) and (c) Repeal of the act, will increase availability and affordability of urban land. It will also facilitate the development of such urban land particularly in solving shelter problem.

(d) and (e) Land is a State subject. State Governments are free to prescribe such conditions, as they deem fit to impose, for encouraging development of land. States, where the Urban Land Ceiling Act will be repealed, will also be free to have their own legislation on the subject.

Appointment on compassionate grounds in CPWD

538. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFARIS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a number of cases for appointment on campassionate grounds in different categories are pending with the Office of superintending Engineer, Central Store Circle, CPWD, A.W.H. Compound, Netaji Nagar, New Delhi for the last year i.e. August, 1997 to till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the authorities have not considered these cases sympathetically so as to provide relief to the family of deceased persons.

(d) whether Goverment propose to provide job to the dependent of deceased persons who died in harness during service period; and

(e) if so, by when; and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) Three cases relating to central Store Circle CPWD are pending.

(b) Details are given in Statement (*See* below)

(c) These cases have been considered by the concerned authorities as per Government instructions on the subject but could not be decided pending completion of certain formalities by the applicants.

(d) and (e) Appointment of dependents of deceased Government Servents who die in harness is governed by instructions issued by the Govt. through the Department of Personnel and Training from time to time. Appointment on compassionate grounds can be approved by the competent authorities only if all the criteria laid down by the Deptt. of Personnel & Training are fulfilled.

Statement

Pending cases of compassionate appointments

Sl. No.	Name of deceased Govt. Servant/ designation	Name of Applicant	Relation with the deceased Govt. Servant	Post for which applied	Date of death of Govt. Servant	Date of application for appointment	Formalities yet to be completed
1.	Late Sh. Ashok Kumar (Khallasi)	Smt. Devi	Wife	Any Grp. 'D' post	27.4.95	10.9.97	Applicant to intimate: (i) whether living in rented or own house. (ii) Correct name. (iii) give undertaking to look after the family of deceased Govt. Servant.
2.	Late Sh. Jogender Singh (Beldar)	Sh. Tarkeshwar Shah	Son	Beldar	11.11.97	12.2.98	All formalities completed Sanction under issue.
3.	Late Sh. Dalip Singh (Halwai)	Sh. Bhupinder Singh	Son	Halwai	2.8.97	19.12.97	Applicant to intimate whether living in rented or own house.

Encroachment in Delhi/ New Delhi

539. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any action to detect the persons responsible for encroachments like taxi stands, shops and religious structures in Government colonies in Delhi/New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of such persons; and

(c) by when action will be taken against such encroachments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per statement attached (*See* below).

(c) Removal of encroachment is a continuous process. Action is initiated as and when any encroachment is noticed as per provisions of Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971.